

# 2021 Sun Prairie Middle Level Honor Band

Saturday November 13, 2021

Prairie View Middle School – Sun Prairie, WI

## Description:

The goal is to provide inspiring musical opportunities for our 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, and 8<sup>th</sup> grade band students. Lunch, Dinner, a festival T-shirt, and a recording of the festival posted on Youtube are included in the experience.

## General Timeline:

October 8, 2021 – Applications due to school band directors & recommendations uploaded into google form

October 15, 2021 – Performers are selected - students, caregivers, and directors will receive email

November 13, 2021 – Festival Day

## Honors Band Conductor:



Patty Schlafer has been teaching middle level music in Wisconsin's private and public schools for over thirty years. Ms. Schlafer's interests are varied and have led to an active professional life as both teacher and performer. A UW-Madison graduate, her formative years of teaching began in the Madison Area Catholic Band Program and under the mentorship of Jan Tweed for the Waunakee Summer Band Program. She most recently retired from teaching music at Mount Horeb Middle School where she was a member of a collaborative team of music teachers there since 1989. Ms. Schlafer has a master's degree in Curriculum Theory and Design where her research included a study of musical tastes of the adolescent band student.

She has been guest conductor and horn instructor at numerous summer music camps throughout Wisconsin. As a horn player, she is a retired member of the Madison Symphony Orchestra, Wisconsin Chamber Orchestra, and Artemis Horn Quartet. She currently performs with the Madison Wind Ensemble and Acme Brass. Ms. Schlafer also serves as one of the orchestra conductors for the Verona Area Community Theater.

## General Festival Schedule:

| Sun Prairie Honors Band Schedule |                         |
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| 9:00                             | Registration            |
| 9:30                             | Rehearsal               |
| 11:30                            | Lunch                   |
| 12:15                            | Sectionals              |
| 1:00                             | Rehearsal/Photo         |
| 3:00                             | Guest Performance       |
| 3:45                             | Final Rehearsal         |
| 4:45                             | Dinner                  |
| 5:30                             | Announcements & Warm-Up |
| 6:00                             | Concert                 |

## Audition Process:

This year we are asking students to fill out an application to be considered for participation.

1. Students will fill out the Student Application (pg. 3 of this packet) & turn into their director
2. By Friday October, 8th directors will collect all applications and fill out Director Submission form for each student.

**Selection Process:**

- Results will be emailed to students, caregivers, and directors by October 15 and music will be emailed to all members. Go to website: <http://www.spbb.org/cardinal-heights-bands.html> for more updates

**COVID-19 & Virus Mitigation:**

- Students accepted into the Sun Prairie Honors Band will be expected to follow [Sun Prairie Area School District Visitor Protocols](#), including and not limited to:
  - Conducting a [Self-Screen](#) for symptoms before attending the event
  - Wear a face covering that covers your mouth and nose.
  - Adhere to physical distancing expectations by staying 6 ft away from others
- Additionally, we will be following the latest guidance and exemptions from Public Health Madison Dance County's [Face Covering Emergency Order #2](#) which allows "When actively playing a wind instrument that has a fabric bell cover, or similar cover, that acts as a face covering over the instrument, as long as individuals are spaced at least six (6) feet apart at all times."
  - Brass & Woodwind players accepted into the Honor Band will be expected to provide their own fabric bell cover.
- Lastly, we will be holding our rehearsal and performance in the Prairie View Gymnasium to more easily allow for six feet spacing for performers and audience spacing as well.

**Cost:**

- Tuition for selected Honor Band musicians is \$38 which includes all instruction, materials, lunch, dinner, T-shirt, and a recording of the day posted on youtube. This fee will be paid at registration. Each participating student will need to bring his/her instrument and accessories.

**Dress:**

- *Students will be given their official t-shirt upon registration, the morning of the event.*
- Rehearsal: Students should wear jeans (no holes please) and can choose to wear their festival t-shirt.
- Performance: Jeans + Festival T-shirt

**Meals:**

- Lunch & Dinner will be provided and are included in the tuition.
- *\*And dietary restrictions or considerations should be listed on application form. Please reach out if needed.*
- *Because of COVID-19, students will be required to eat 6 feet apart to reduce the risk of spread and will diminish the need to contract trace, if needed.*

**Concert:**

- Concert will be held at Prairie View Middle School. Address is 400 N. Thompson Rd. Sun Prairie, WI 53590
- Families can park in front and make their way to the Gymnasium, turning right after entering the main doors. There is no ticket cost for the concert. It is free and open to the public.
- The concert will be live streamed - stay tuned for information.
- Masks will be required for all audience members.

**Transportation:**

- All transportation to and from the festival is the responsibility of the student



## Sun Prairie Middle School Honors Band Application - 2021

Students - please fill out the application and give to your director who will complete and submit your application. Thanks for your interest!!

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| <b>Student Full Name:</b>                     |                      | <b>Grade:</b>        |
| <b>Instrument:</b>                            |                      | <b>Years Played:</b> |
| <b>Student Email:</b>                         | <b>Parent Email:</b> |                      |
| <b>Dietary or other health consideration:</b> |                      |                      |

- 1. Please list any Honor Bands, Solo & Ensemble, or other extra performance opportunities you have participated in? Please list any solo pieces you have performed (Solo & Ensemble, etc...).**
  
- 2. If your school uses a method book, please list what book you use and what you are currently working on.**
  
- 3. Do you take private lessons? If so, are you working on any solos or etudes?**
  
- 4. What do you think will be exciting and challenging in rehearsing and performing as a band in one day? *One or two sentences is great - no essay needed!***

**TURN THIS FORM INTO YOUR BAND DIRECTOR AS SOON AS POSSIBLE**

